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(TL:VISA-300; 07-30-2001)

RECIPROCITY

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Class	Fee	No. Applications	Validity
A-1	NONE	MULTIPLE	60 MONTHS
A-2	NONE	MULTIPLE	60 MONTHS
A-3 [1]	NONE	MULTIPLE	24 MONTHS
B-1	NONE	MULTIPLE	120 MONTHS
B-2	NONE	MULTIPLE	120 MONTHS
B-1/B-2	NONE	MULTIPLE	120 MONTHS
C-1	NONE	MULTIPLE	60 MONTHS
C-1/D	NONE	MULTIPLE	60 MONTHS
C-2	NONE	MULTIPLE	12 MONTHS
C-3	NONE	MULTIPLE	60 MONTHS
D	NONE	MULTIPLE	60 MONTHS
E-1 [2]	NONE	MULTIPLE	24 MONTHS
E-2 [2]	NONE	MULTIPLE	24 MONTHS
F-1	NONE	MULTIPLE	60 MONTHS
F-2	NONE	MULTIPLE	60 MONTHS
G-1	NONE	MULTIPLE	60 MONTHS
G-2	NONE	MULTIPLE	60 MONTHS
G-3	NONE	MULTIPLE	60 MONTHS
G-4	NONE	MULTIPLE	60 MONTHS
G-5 [1]	NONE	MULTIPLE	24 MONTHS
H-1B	NONE	MULTIPLE	60 MONTHS [3]
H-1C	NONE	MULTIPLE	60 MONTHS [3]
H-2A	NONE	MULTIPLE	60 MONTHS [3]
H-2B	NONE	MULTIPLE	60 MONTHS [3]
H-3	NONE	MULTIPLE	60 MONTHS [3]
H-4	NONE	MULTIPLE	60 MONTHS [3]
I	NONE	MULTIPLE	24 MONTHS
J-1 [4]	NONE	MULTIPLE	60 MONTHS
J-2 [4]	NONE	MULTIPLE	60 MONTHS
K-1	NONE	ONE	6 MONTHS
K-2	NONE	ONE	6 MONTHS
K-3	NONE	MULTIPLE	120 MONTHS
K-4	NONE	MULTIPLE	120 MONTHS
L-1	NONE	MULTIPLE	60 MONTHS [3]
L-2	NONE	MULTIPLE	60 MONTHS [3]
M-1	NONE	MULTIPLE	60 MONTHS
M-2	NONE	MULTIPLE	60 MONTHS
N-8	NONE	MULTIPLE	60 MONTHS
N-9	NONE	MULTIPLE	60 MONTHS
NATO 1-7	N/A	N/A	N/A
O-1	NONE	MULTIPLE	60 MONTHS [3]
O-2	NONE	MULTIPLE	60 MONTHS [3]
O-3	NONE	MULTIPLE	60 MONTHS [3]

P-1	NONE	MULTIPLE	60 MONTHS [3]
P-2	NONE	MULTIPLE	60 MONTHS [3]
P-3	NONE	MULTIPLE	60 MONTHS [3]
P-4	NONE	MULTIPLE	60 MONTHS [3]
Q-1 [6]	NONE	MULTIPLE	15 MONTHS [3]
R-1	NONE	MULTIPLE	60 MONTHS
R-2	NONE	MULTIPLE	60 MONTHS
S-5 [7]	NONE	ONE	1 MONTH
S-6 [7]	NONE	ONE	1 MONTH
S-7 [7]	NONE	ONE	1 MONTH
TD [5]	N/A	N/A	N/A
V-1	NONE	MULTIPLE	120 MONTHS
V-2	NONE	MULTIPLE	120 MONTHS [8]
V-3	NONE	MULTIPLE	120 MONTHS [8]

SPECIAL CLEARANCE AND ISSUANCE PROCEDURES

(TL:VISA-256; 04-09-2001)

Outside checks are made only if specifically requested. The normal waiting period for this check is two months. The information furnished by Form OF-179 is adequate.

DOCUMENTS AND RECORDS

Police Record

(TL:VISA-211; 10-02-2000)

Available. Extract from the Criminal Records (Rikosrekisteriote) is issued by the Legal Register Center in Hameenlinna, Finland. The request must be submitted in letter format either by mail or by fax: Address: Oikeusrekisterikeskus, PL 157, 13101 Hameenlinna, Finland. Fax: (358)-(3)-622-3783. The request must include the following information:

1. Complete name of the applicant;
2. Date and place of birth (Finnish social security number);
3. Purpose for which the record is needed;
4. Signature of the applicant; and
5. Return address

The fee for the record is 50 FIM.

Military Record

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Available. A person can obtain his and/or her military record (Palvelusaikatodistus) from the military district (Sotilaslaani) where he and/or she resides. An original military passport (Sotilaspassi) may also be presented instead of the military record.

Birth, Marriage, Divorce, and Death Certificates, and Family Record for Genealogical Research

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Available. (Virkatodistus) in English can be obtained by mail or in person from the Civil Registry Office (Maistraatti). Fee: 50 FIM.

Records before September 30, 1999 are also available from local Lutheran or Orthodox church officials (kirkkoherranvirasto).

Passports: Information on Travel Documents

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A Finnish passport is similar to the current machine-readable U.S. passport. The Finnish (European Union) passport has a burgundy red cover and contains 42 pages. The older version has a dark blue cover and contains 32 pages. Normal validity is ten years. In addition to regular, official and diplomatic passports for Finnish citizens, Finland also issues two types of travel documents for foreigners.

A green refugee travel document (Matkustusasiakirja/ travel document) is issued to a person residing in Finland under the terms of the United Nations convention of 28 July 1951.

A gray foreigner's travel document (Muukalaispassi/alien's passport) is issued to a non-Finnish citizen who cannot or will not obtain his and/or her own national passport. This document does not guarantee reentry to Finland without a valid Finnish residence permit.

VISA ISSUING POST

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Helsinki (E) All Categories

Address: U.S. Helsinki
PSC 78 Box H APO AE 09723.

GEOGRAPHIC AREA SERVICED

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All of Finland.

The U.S. Embassy in Helsinki also processes immigrant visa applications for nationals of Estonia.